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To provide a license acquisition system wherein a user can easily obtain a desired license, and a server and a terminal apparatus therefor. A terminal apparatus 3 obtains contents from a contents server 1 through a communication line 4, and also obtains, from a license server 2, a license that permits the user of obtained contents. To obtain the license, the terminal apparatus 3 transmits terminal state information indicating a terminal state related to a license and contents. When there are a plurality of types of licenses corresponding to contents, the license server 2 employs the terminal state information to designate priority levels for licenses in order that it is predicted that the user will obtain, prepares a license list based on the priority levels, and transmits the license list.